TUBE HEROES™
Stars of the Digital Universe!
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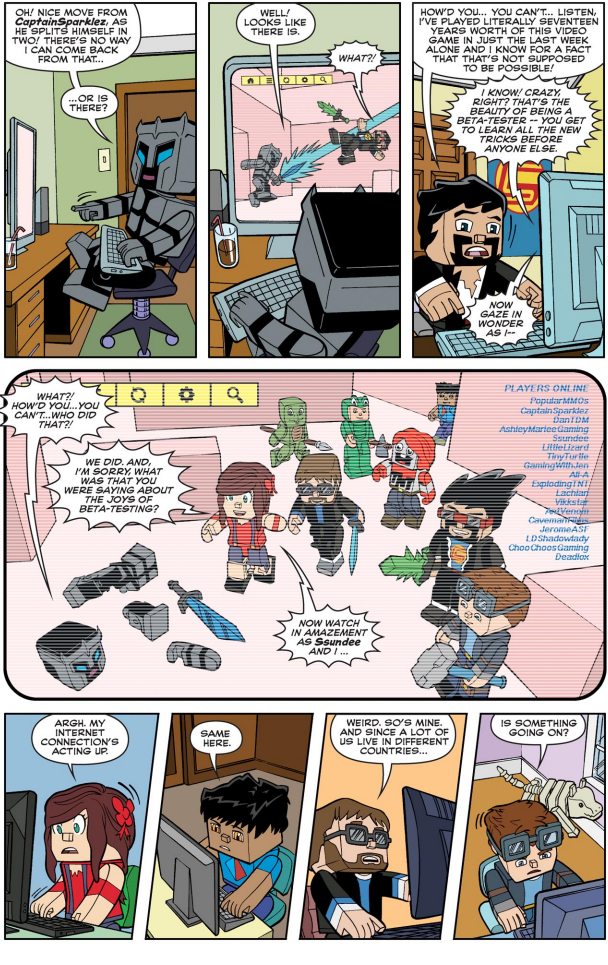
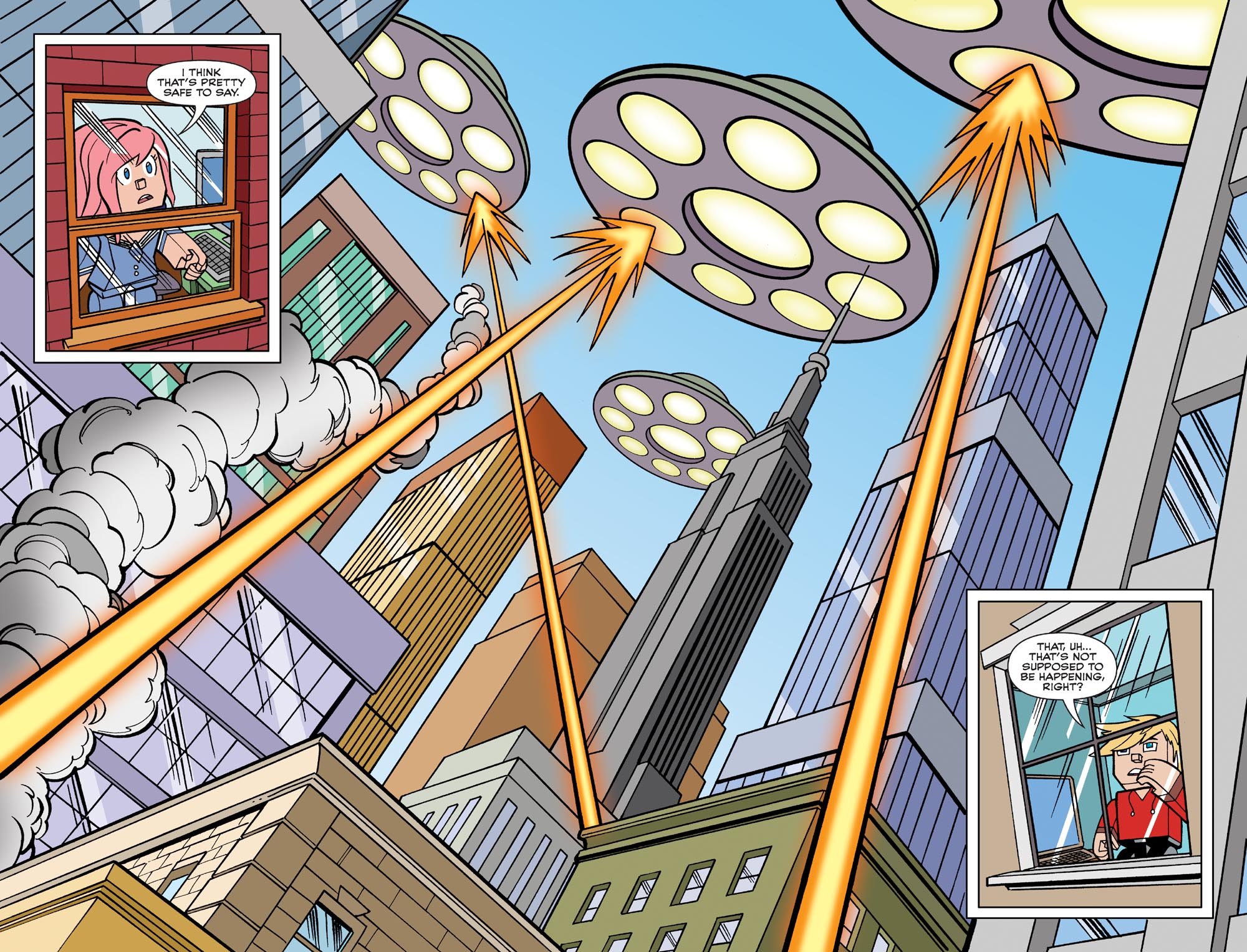
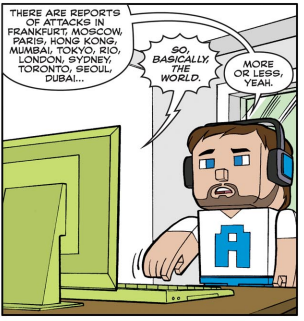
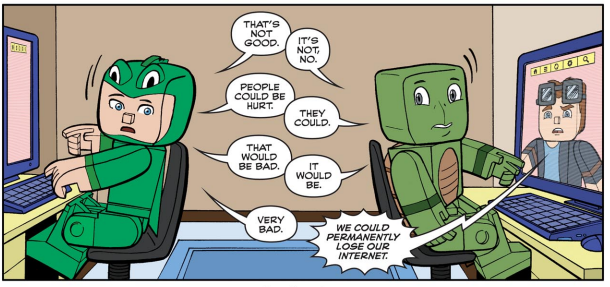
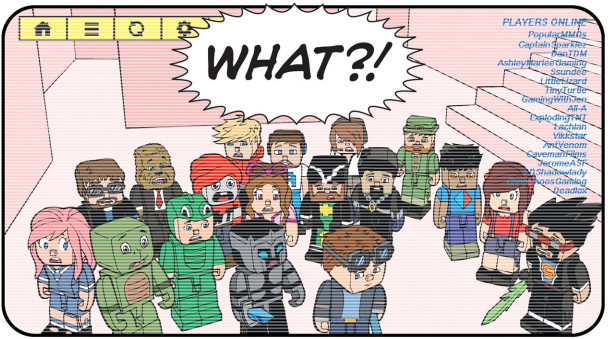

OH! NICE MOVE FROM CaptainSparklez, AS HE SPLITS HIMSELF IN TWO! THERE'S NO WAY I CAN COME BACK FROM THAT...
...OR IS THERE?
WELL! LOOKS LIKE THERE IS.
WHAT?!
HOW'D YOU... YOU CAN'T... LISTEN, I'VE PLAYED LITERALLY SEVENTEEN YEARS WORTH OF THIS VIDEO GAME IN JUST THE LAST WEEK ALONE AND I KNOW FOR A FACT THAT THAT'S NOT SUPPOSED TO BE POSSIBLE!
I KNOW! CRAZY, RIGHT? THAT'S THE BEAUTY OF BEING A BETA-TESTER -- YOU GET TO LEARN ALL THE NEW TRICKS BEFORE ANYONE ELSE.
NOW GAZE IN WONDER AS I--
WHAT?! HOW'D YOU...YOU CAN'T...WHO DID THAT?!
WE DID, AND, I'M SORRY, WHAT WAS THAT YOU WERE SAYING ABOUT THE JOYS OF BETA-TESTING?
NOW WATCH IN AMAZEMENT AS Ssundee AND I ...
PLAYERS ONLINE:
PopularMMOs
CaptainSparklez
DanTDM
AshleyMarieeGaming
Ssundee
LittleLizard
TinyTurtle
GamingWithJen
All-A
ExplodingTNT
Lachlan
VikkStar
TedNivison
CavemanPlays
JeromeASF
LDShadowlady
ChooChoosGaming
Deadlox
ARGH. MY INTERNET CONNECTION'S ACTING UP.
SAME HERE.
WEIRD. SO'S MINE. AND SINCE A LOT OF US LIVE IN DIFFERENT COUNTRIES...
IS SOMETHING GOING ON?


I THINK THAT'S PRETTY SAFE TO SAY.
THAT, UH... THAT'S NOT SUPPOSED TO BE HAPPENING, RIGHT?

SO... CORRECT ME IF I'M WRONG, BUT NEW YORK CITY SEEMS TO BE UNDER ATTACK.
YOU ARE NOT WRONG. BUT THAT'S NOT ALL.


THERE ARE REPORTS OF ATTACKS IN FRANKFURT, MOSCOW, PARIS, HONG KONG, MUMBAI, TOKYO, RIO, LONDON, SYDNEY, TORONTO, SEOUL, DUBAI...
SO, BASICALLY, THE WORLD.
MORE OR LESS, YEAH.


THAT'S NOT GOOD.
IT'S NOT, NO.
PEOPLE COULD BE HURT.
THEY COULD.
THAT WOULD BE BAD.
IT WOULD BE.
VERY BAD.
WE COULD PERMANENTLY LOSE OUR INTERNET.


WHAT?!
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Popsicle_Mitts
Captain_Sparkle
_SenTDM
Ashley_Nurse_Gaming
Saunders
Little_Lizard
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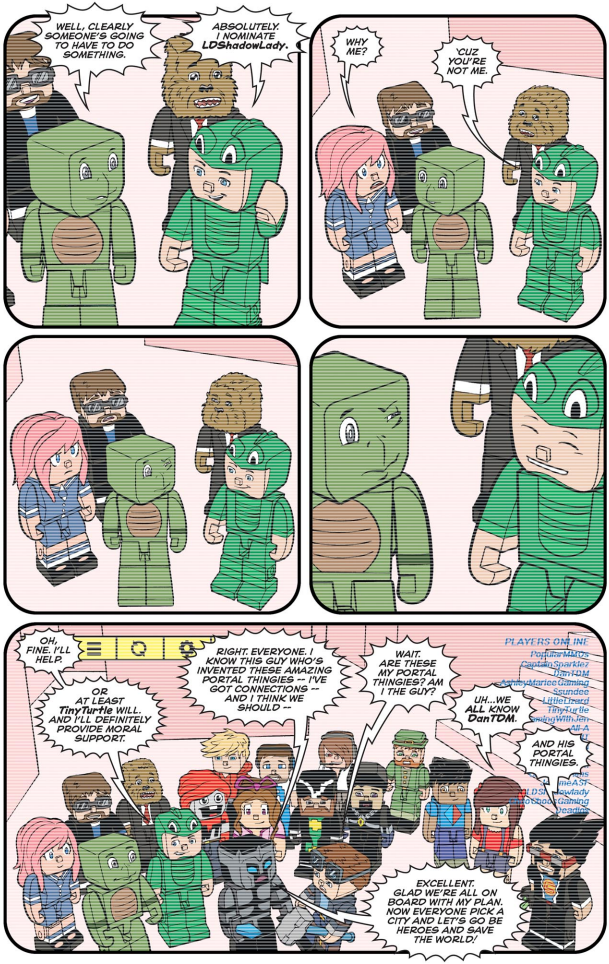
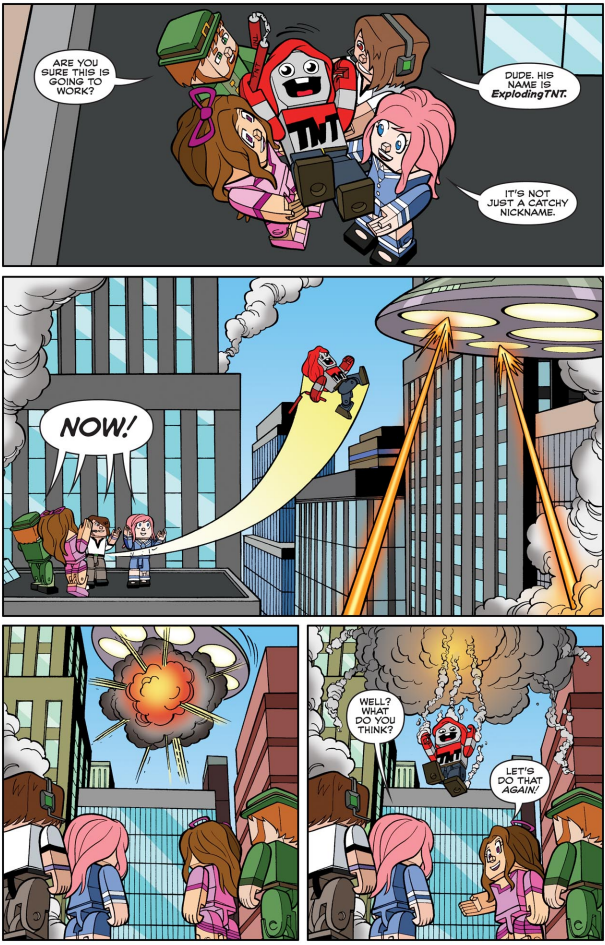

WELL, CLEARLY SOMEONE'S GOING TO HAVE TO DO SOMETHING.
ABSOLUTELY. I NOMINATE LDShadowLady.
WHY ME?
'CUZ YOU'RE NOT ME.
OH, FINE. I'LL HELP.
OR, AT LEAST TinyTurtle WILL. AND I'LL DEFINITELY PROVIDE MORAL SUPPORT.
RIGHT. EVERYONE, I KNOW THIS GUY WHO'S INVENTED THESE AMAZING PORTAL THINGIES -- I'VE GOT CONNECTIONS -- AND I THINK WE SHOULD --
WAIT. ARE THESE MY PORTAL THINGIES? AM I THE GUY?
UH...WE ALL KNOW DanTDM.
AND HIS PORTAL THINGIES.
EXCELLENT. GLAD WE'RE ALL ON BOARD WITH MY PLAN. NOW EVERYONE PICK A CITY AND LET'S GO BE HEROES AND SAVE THE WORLD!
PLAYERS ONLINE
PopTartMatt
CaptainSparklez
Jen10M
LittleCrizzard
TinyTurtle
SeaboWithJam
All-A
AND
TimeAsh
LDShadowLady
DashingDesiree

PopularMMOs TELEPORTS TO COMBAT IN TOKYO, JAPAN!
YOU'RE GOING DOWN!
CaptainSparklez AND Jerry ATTACK IN NEW YORK CITY!
SLIME ON, Jerry!

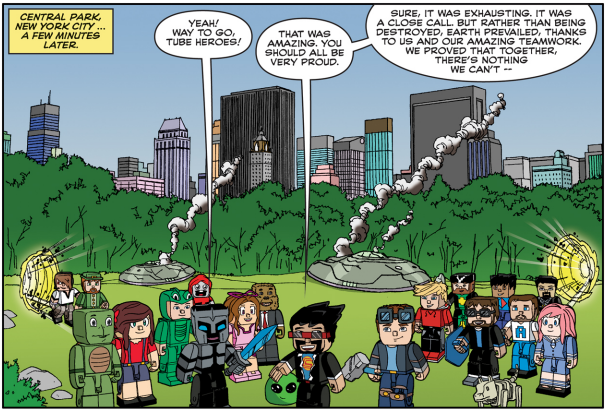
MEANWHILE, IN PARIS, FRANCE ...
HA HA! BANK SHOT!
IN LONDON, ENGLAND, TOO!
ATTABOY, Grim! FETCH!

WOW -- IN TORONTO, CANADA!
HEY! WATCH IT WITH THOSE COSMIC DEATH RAYS! YOU COULD HURT SOMEONE!
IT'S ALL FUN AND GAMES UNTIL SOMEONE LOSES A CITY...
ELSEWHERE...
HEY, WHAT'S GOING ON, KIDS?
THIS IS COOL, RIGHT, GUYS?
...RIGHT?

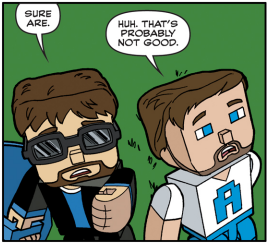

ARE YOU SURE THIS IS GOING TO WORK?
DUDE. HIS NAME IS *ExplodingTNT.*
IT'S NOT JUST A CATCHY NICKNAME.
NOW!
WELL? WHAT DO YOU THINK?
LET'S DO THAT *AGAIN!*

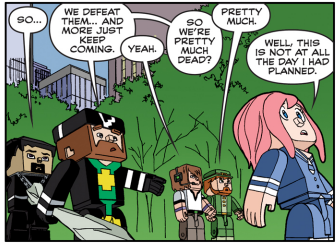
IN LOS ANGELES ...
THIS LOOKS SO MUCH EASIER IN VIDEO GAMES.
YOU KNOW, USUALLY I JUST GO AFTER COWS...

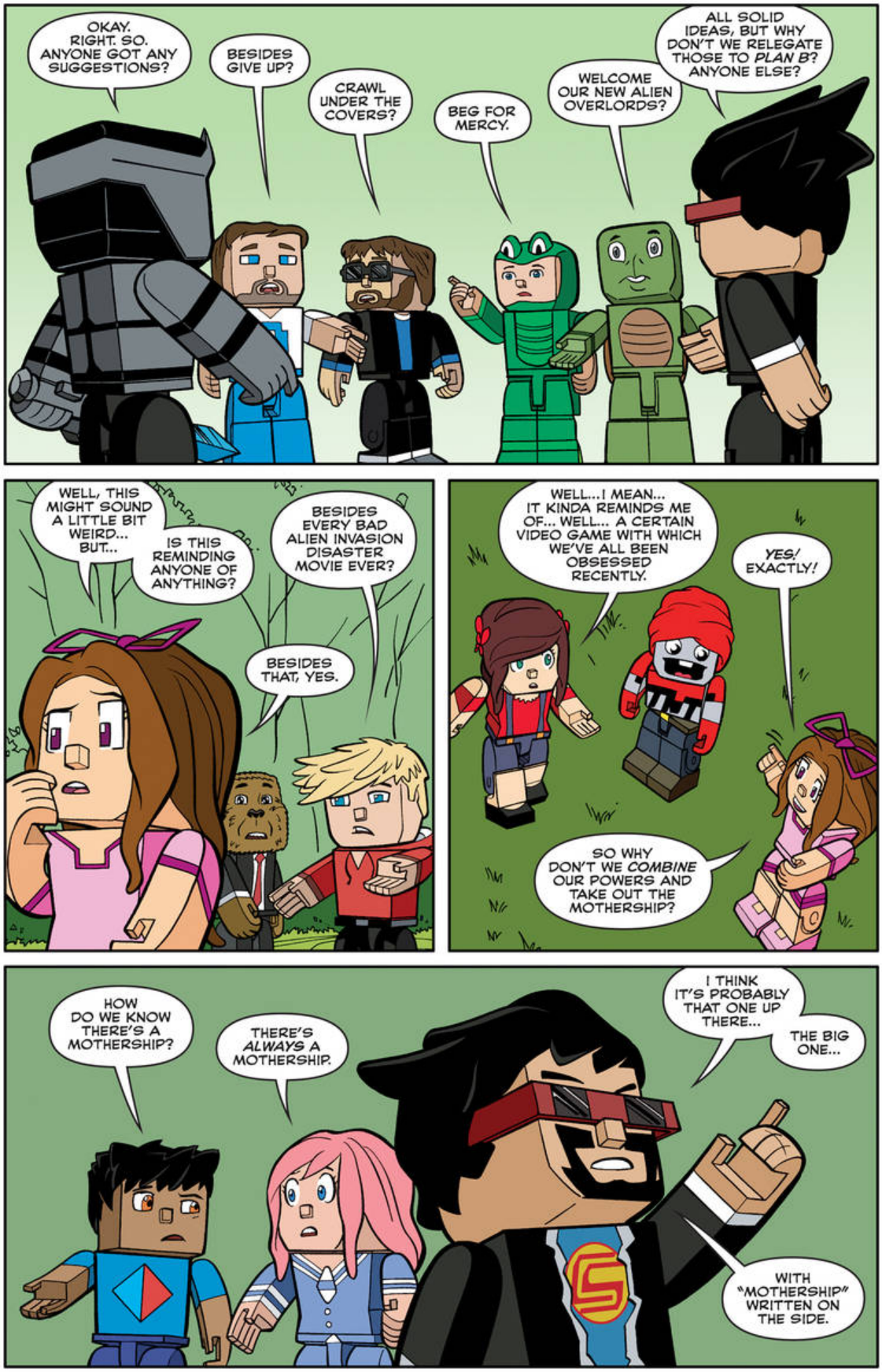
SOON...
YES! EVERYONE HAS CHECKED IN, AND IT LOOKS LIKE WE GOT 'EM ALL!
WELL DONE, TUBE HEROES!
WELL DONE, INDEED!
LET'S ALL MEET IN CENTRAL PARK IN NEW YORK CITY TO CELEBRATE.

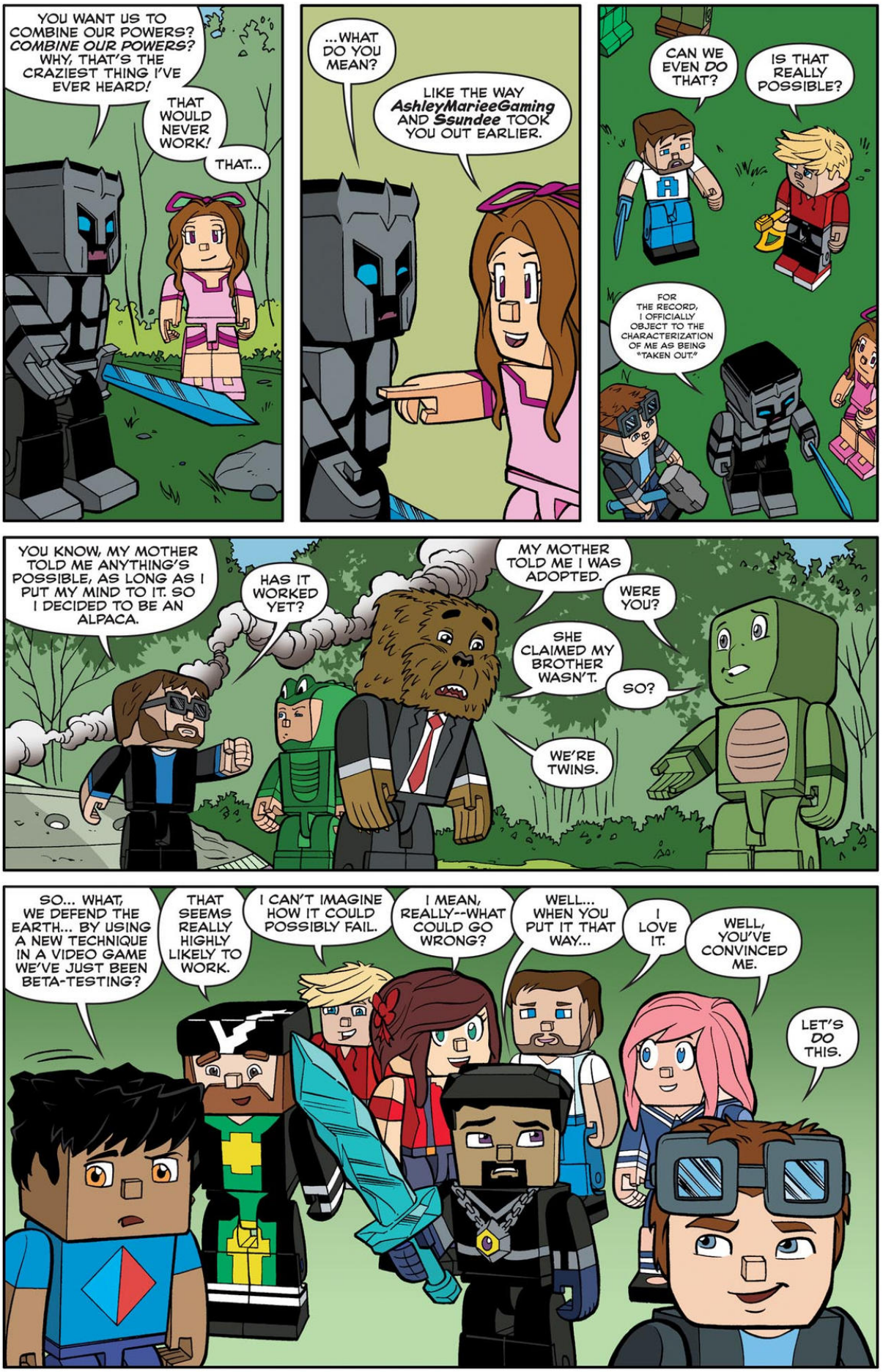

CENTRAL PARK, NEW YORK CITY... A FEW MINUTES LATER.
YEAH! WAY TO GO, TUBE HEROES!
THAT WAS AMAZING. YOU SHOULD ALL BE VERY PROUD.
SURE, IT WAS EXHAUSTING. IT WAS A CLOSE CALL. BUT RATHER THAN BEING DESTROYED, EARTH PREVAILED, THANKS TO US AND OUR AMAZING TEAMWORK. WE PROVED THAT TOGETHER, THERE'S NOTHING WE CAN'T --

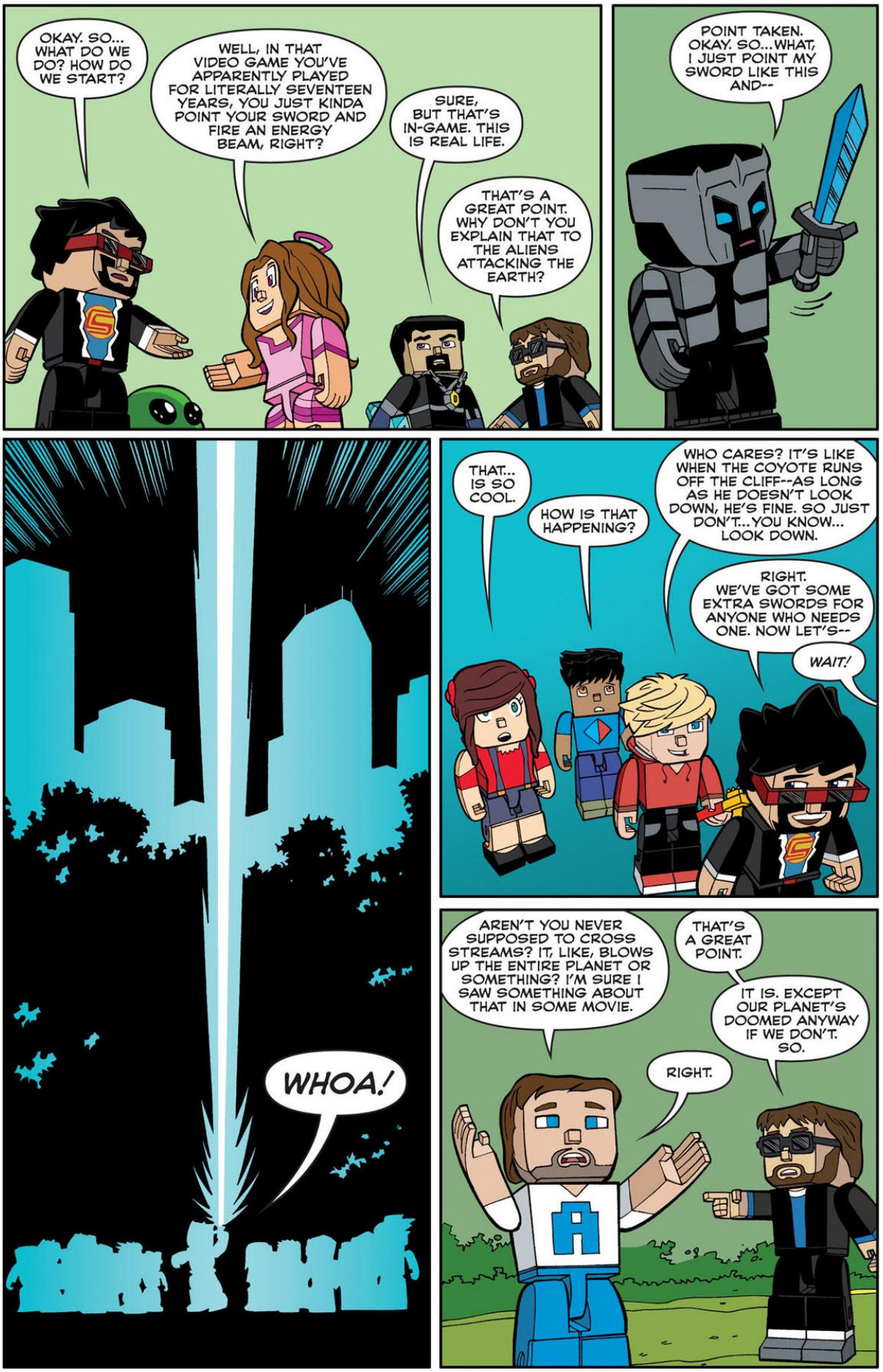
UH... WE CAN'T...
UM...
...ARE THOSE...?


SURE ARE.
HUH. THAT'S PROBABLY NOT GOOD.


SO...
WE DEFEAT THEM... AND MORE JUST KEEP COMING.
YEAH.
SO WE'RE PRETTY MUCH DEAD?
PRETTY MUCH.
WELL, THIS IS NOT AT ALL THE DAY I HAD PLANNED.

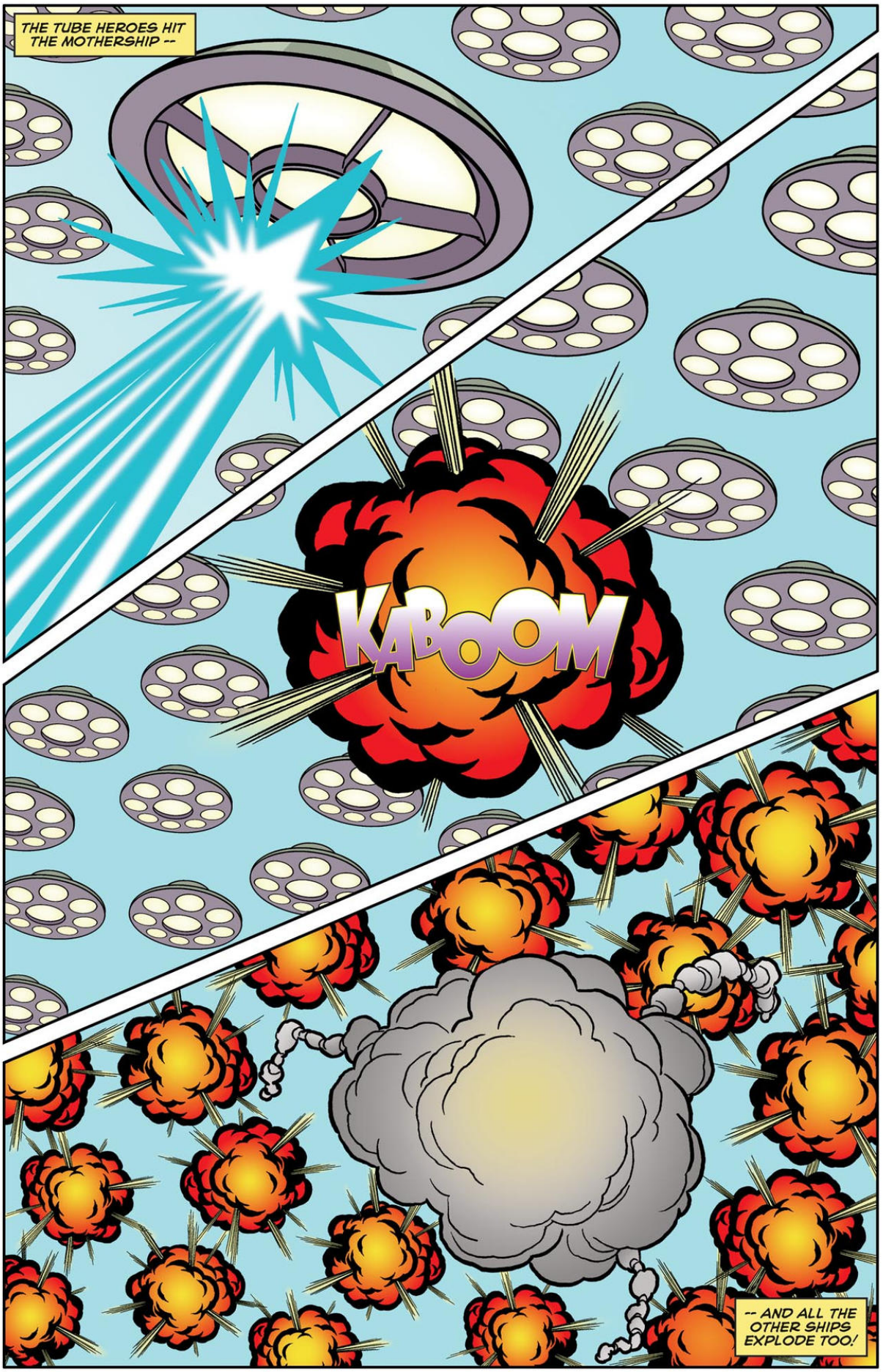

OKAY. RIGHT. SO. ANYONE GOT ANY SUGGESTIONS?
BESIDES GIVE UP?
CRAWL UNDER THE COVERS?
BEG FOR MERCY.
WELCOME OUR NEW ALIEN OVERLORDS?
ALL SOLID IDEAS, BUT WHY DON'T WE RELEGATE THOSE TO *PLAN B*? ANYONE ELSE?
WELL, THIS MIGHT SOUND A LITTLE BIT WEIRD... BUT...
IS THIS REMINDING ANYONE OF ANYTHING?
BESIDES EVERY BAD ALIEN INVASION DISASTER MOVIE EVER?
BESIDES THAT, YES.
WELL...I MEAN... IT KINDA REMINDS ME OF... WELL... A CERTAIN VIDEO GAME WITH WHICH WE'VE ALL BEEN OBSESSED RECENTLY.
YES! EXACTLY!
SO WHY DON'T WE *COMBINE* OUR POWERS AND TAKE OUT THE MOTHERSHIP?
HOW DO WE KNOW THERE'S A MOTHERSHIP?
THERE'S *ALWAYS* A MOTHERSHIP.
I THINK IT'S PROBABLY THAT ONE UP THERE...
THE BIG ONE...
WITH "MOTHERSHIP" WRITTEN ON THE SIDE.


YOU WANT US TO COMBINE OUR POWERS? *COMBINE OUR POWERS?* WHY, THAT'S THE CRAZIEST THING I'VE EVER HEARD!
THAT WOULD NEVER WORK!
THAT...
...WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
LIKE THE WAY ***AshleyMarieeGaming*** AND ***Ssundee*** TOOK YOU OUT EARLIER.
CAN WE EVEN *DO* THAT?
IS THAT REALLY POSSIBLE?
FOR THE RECORD, I OFFICIALLY OBJECT TO THE CHARACTERIZATION OF ME AS BEING "TAKEN OUT."
YOU KNOW, MY MOTHER TOLD ME ANYTHING'S POSSIBLE, AS LONG AS I PUT MY MIND TO IT. SO I DECIDED TO BE AN ALPACA.
HAS IT WORKED YET?
MY MOTHER TOLD ME I WAS ADOPTED.
WERE YOU?
SHE CLAIMED MY BROTHER WASN'T.
SO?
WE'RE TWINS.
SO... WHAT, WE DEFEND THE EARTH... BY USING A NEW TECHNIQUE IN A VIDEO GAME WE'VE JUST BEEN BETA-TESTING?
THAT SEEMS REALLY HIGHLY LIKELY TO WORK.
I CAN'T IMAGINE HOW IT COULD POSSIBLY FAIL.
I MEAN, REALLY--WHAT COULD GO WRONG?
WELL... WHEN YOU PUT IT THAT WAY...
I LOVE IT.
WELL, YOU'VE CONVINCED ME.
LET'S *DO* THIS.

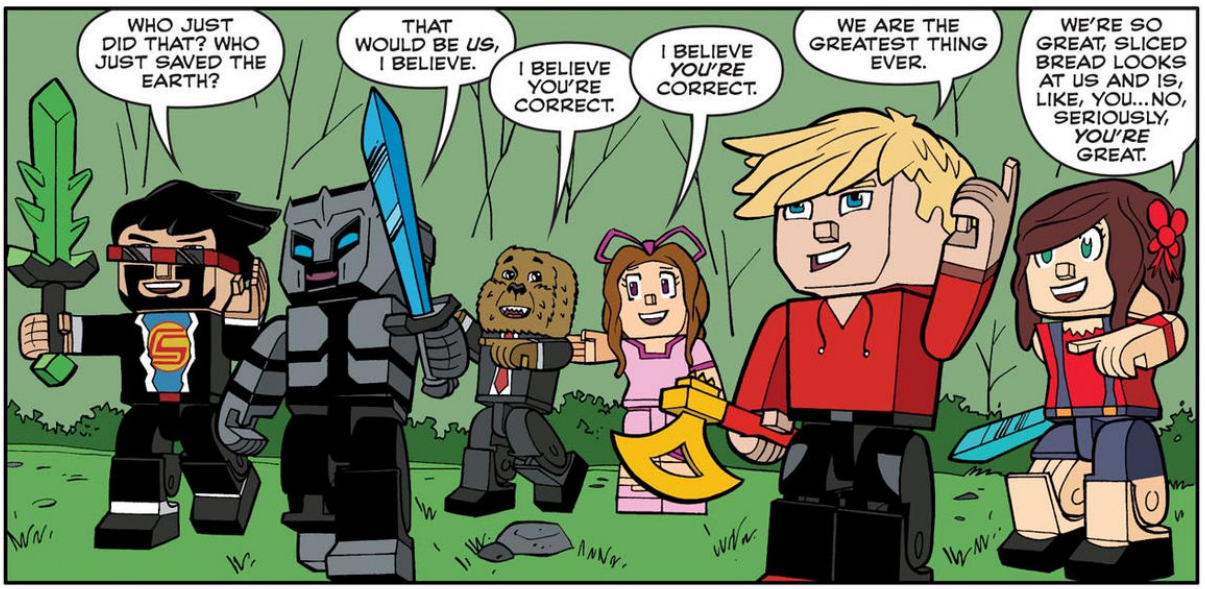

OKAY. SO... WHAT DO WE DO? HOW DO WE START?
WELL, IN THAT VIDEO GAME YOU'VE APPARENTLY PLAYED FOR LITERALLY SEVENTEEN YEARS, YOU JUST KINDA POINT YOUR SWORD AND FIRE AN ENERGY BEAM, RIGHT?
SURE, BUT THAT'S IN-GAME. THIS IS REAL LIFE.
THAT'S A GREAT POINT. WHY DON'T YOU EXPLAIN THAT TO THE ALIENS ATTACKING THE EARTH?
POINT TAKEN. OKAY. SO...WHAT, I JUST POINT MY SWORD LIKE THIS AND--
WHOA!
THAT... IS SO COOL.
HOW IS THAT HAPPENING?
WHO CARES? IT'S LIKE WHEN THE COYOTE RUNS OFF THE CLIFF--AS LONG AS HE DOESN'T LOOK DOWN, HE'S FINE. SO JUST DON'T...YOU KNOW... LOOK DOWN.
RIGHT. WE'VE GOT SOME EXTRA SWORDS FOR ANYONE WHO NEEDS ONE. NOW LET'S--
WAIT!
AREN'T YOU NEVER SUPPOSED TO CROSS STREAMS? IT, LIKE, BLOWS UP THE ENTIRE PLANET OR SOMETHING? I'M SURE I SAW SOMETHING ABOUT THAT IN SOME MOVIE.
THAT'S A GREAT POINT.
IT IS. EXCEPT OUR PLANET'S DOOMED ANYWAY IF WE DON'T. SO.
RIGHT.

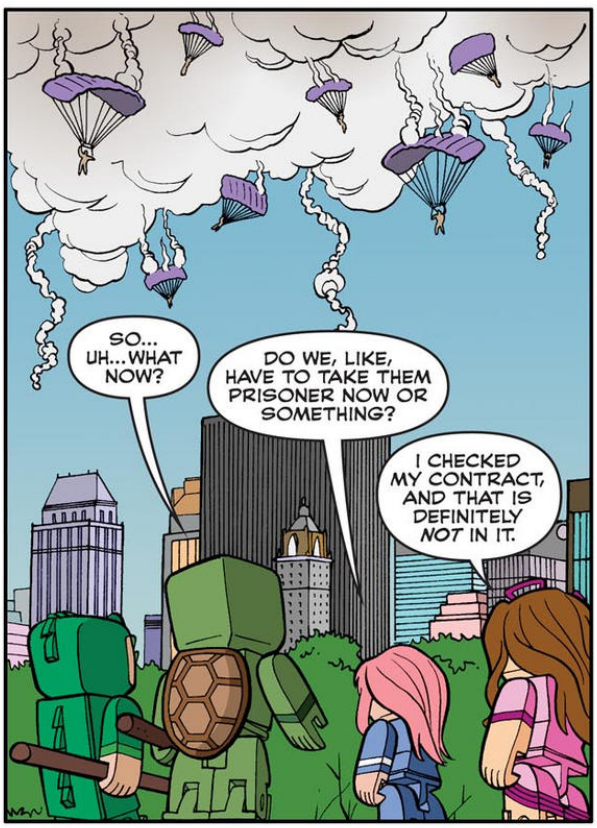
SO. STREAMS.
GET READY TO CROSS 'EM.
ALL RIGHT-- WEAPONS UP!
DONE!
CHECK!
THIS IS GONNA BE COOL!
POINT 'EM AT THE MOTHERSHIP!
HEY, JUST IN CASE? IT'S BEEN NICE KNOWING MOST OF YOU...
AND...

TUBE HEROES
UNITE!


THE TUBE HEROES HIT THE MOTHERSHIP --
KABOOM
-- AND ALL THE OTHER SHIPS EXPLODE TOO!

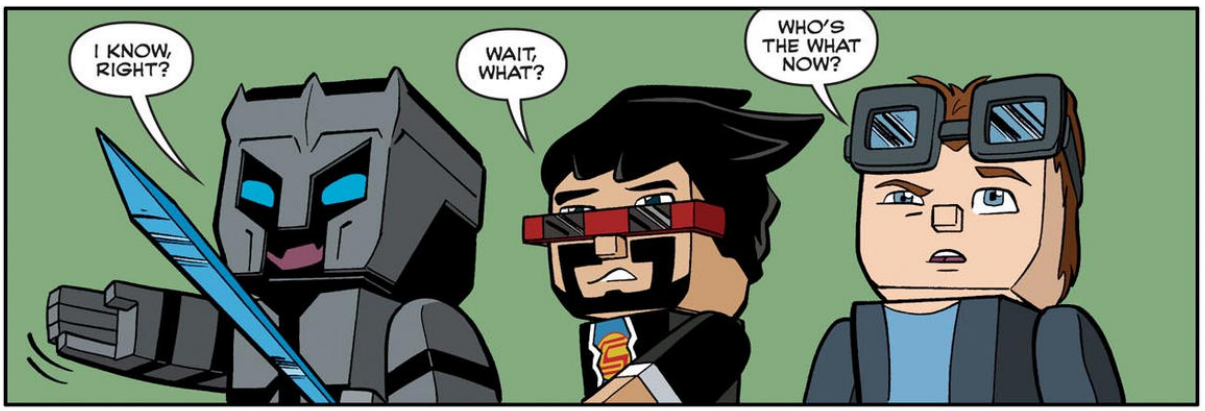
BACK IN CENTRAL PARK...
WELL.
THAT WAS DISTURBINGLY EASY.


WHO JUST DID THAT? WHO JUST SAVED THE EARTH?
THAT WOULD BE *US*, I BELIEVE.
I BELIEVE YOU'RE CORRECT.
I BELIEVE *YOU'RE* CORRECT.
WE ARE THE GREATEST THING EVER.
WE'RE SO GREAT, SLICED BREAD LOOKS AT US AND IS, LIKE, YOU...NO, SERIOUSLY, *YOU'RE* GREAT.

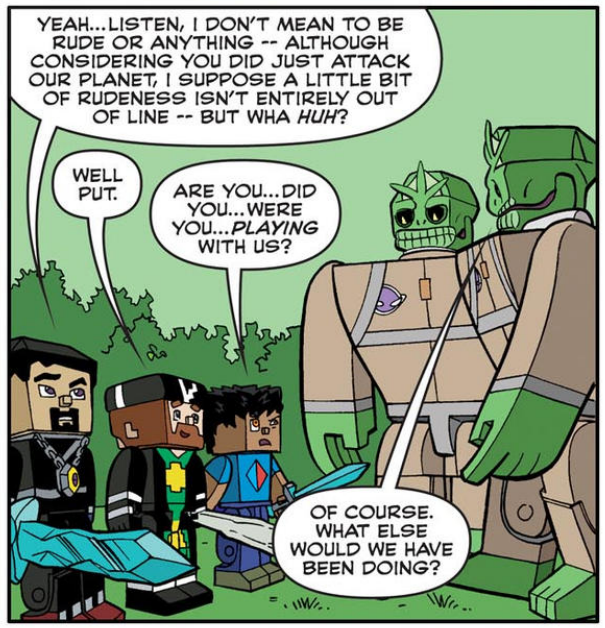

SO... UH...WHAT NOW?
DO WE, LIKE, HAVE TO TAKE THEM PRISONER NOW OR SOMETHING?
I CHECKED MY CONTRACT, AND THAT IS DEFINITELY *NOT* IN IT.

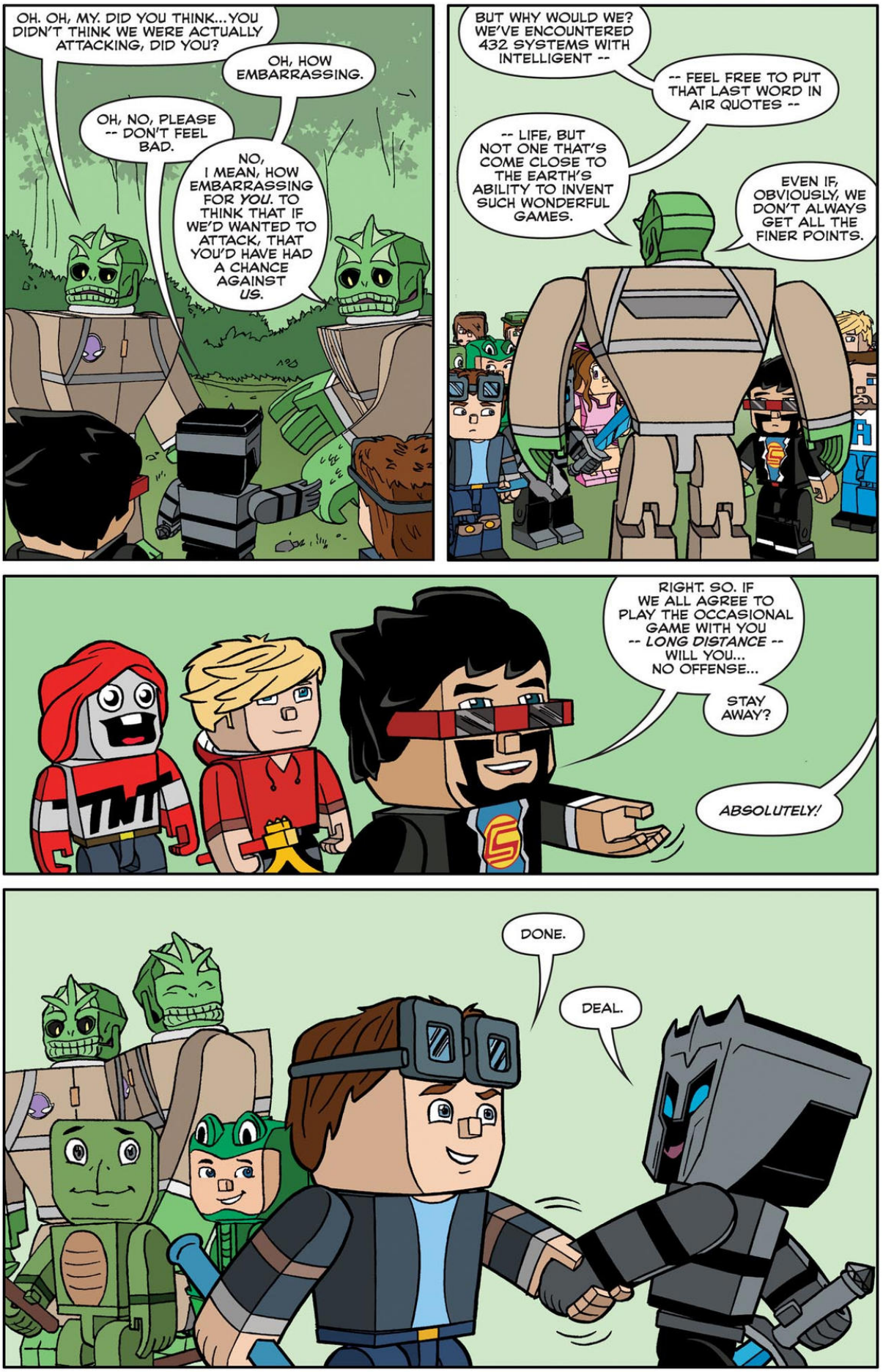
(GULP)

THAT.
WAS.
AWESOME!


I KNOW, RIGHT?
WAIT, WHAT?
WHO'S THE WHAT NOW?

HOLD ON. YOU...YOU *LIKE* GETTING DEFEATED?
YES! WELL, I MEAN, NO. BUT THE WAY YOU DID THAT WAS JUST INGENIOUS!
WE HAD NO IDEA THAT WAS POSSIBLE! IS THAT FROM THE NEW EXPANSION PACK?


YEAH...LISTEN, I DON'T MEAN TO BE RUDE OR ANYTHING -- ALTHOUGH CONSIDERING YOU DID JUST ATTACK OUR PLANET, I SUPPOSE A LITTLE BIT OF RUDENESS ISN'T ENTIRELY OUT OF LINE -- BUT WHA *HUH*?
WELL PUT.
ARE YOU...DID YOU...WERE YOU...*PLAYING* WITH US?
OF COURSE. WHAT ELSE WOULD WE HAVE BEEN DOING?


OH. OH, MY. DID YOU THINK... YOU DIDN'T THINK WE WERE ACTUALLY ATTACKING, DID YOU?
OH, HOW EMBARRASSING.
OH, NO, PLEASE -- DON'T FEEL BAD.
NO, I MEAN, HOW EMBARRASSING FOR *YOU*. TO THINK THAT IF WE'D WANTED TO ATTACK, THAT YOU'D HAVE HAD A CHANCE AGAINST *US*.
BUT WHY WOULD WE? WE'VE ENCOUNTERED 432 SYSTEMS WITH INTELLIGENT --
-- FEEL FREE TO PUT THAT LAST WORD IN AIR QUOTES --
-- LIFE, BUT NOT ONE THAT'S COME CLOSE TO THE EARTH'S ABILITY TO INVENT SUCH WONDERFUL GAMES.
EVEN IF, OBVIOUSLY, WE DON'T ALWAYS GET ALL THE FINER POINTS.
RIGHT. SO. IF WE ALL AGREE TO PLAY THE OCCASIONAL GAME WITH YOU -- *LONG DISTANCE* -- WILL YOU... NO OFFENSE...
STAY AWAY?
ABSOLUTELY!
DONE.
DEAL.

AND SO...
ALL RIGHT. HERE WE GO.
EARTH VERSUS ALIENS.
MAY THE BEST...UH... THING WIN.
BEFORE WE START, MAY I MAKE A LITTLE SUGGESTION?
IN THE INTEREST OF INTERGALACTIC PEACE AND ALL THAT, MAYBE WE SHOULD, YOU KNOW, TAKE IT EASY ON THEM?
JUST A LITTLE?
GOOD IDEA.
AGREED.
SURE THING.
YOU BET.
WITHOUT QUESTION.
HOW ABOUT WE JUST...
YEAH, NOT A CHANCE.
SLIMY, BUG EYED MONSTERS ARE GOIN' DOWN.
...THE END...?